


November 23, 1981

Inspection Memo to File:

RE: Wayne Bittleston
Placer Operation
DOE/047/010
Uintah County, Utah

On October 29, 1981, Joe Helfrich, Wayne Hedberg and Sandy Pruitt visited with Don Jarmon and Wayne Bittleston at their placer gold operation located along the Green River southeast of Vernal. Mr. Bittleston filed a Declaration of Exemption (DOE) on August 31, 1981. The placer mine has been operational only two months. The Green River embankment is being mined, no drudging and no chemical processing is involved. Approximately 50 gallons of water is recirculated back to the Green River in a gold floatation process. The operators were requested to contact the Division of Water Rights and Steve McNeal at the Health Department to determine what permits are required for this water used. The mine operation consists of only two small pits, a treatment facility and tailings, accumulatively under two acres. The floatation process is only being tested now, miners plan a 300 tons/day production, if successful. They were informed of permitting requirements.

SANDY PRUITT 
RECLAMATION OFFICER

SP/btb

Statistics:

Vehicle: #EX 68804--684 miles
Per Diem: 3 persons X 3 days 7 hours @ \$37.50/day = \$353.79
Grant: A & E